

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Box Butte                    ) Application No. 911-023.30  
County, Public Safety Answering        )  
Point, Alliance, seeking funding        ) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING  
approval for recurring and non-        )  
recurring costs of Enhanced            ) Entered: April 10, 2007  
Wireless 911 implementation.            )

BY THE COMMISSION:

By written requests for funding received from Box Butte County, Public Safety Answering Point, Alliance, seeks funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund (Fund) for implementing and providing enhanced wireless 911 service.

In its application, Box Butte County seeks non-recurring costs in the amount of **\$24,700.00** for the purchase and installation of software necessary for enhanced wireless 911 service. Box Butte County has entered into a contract with GeoComm, Inc. (GeoComm) for the purchase, installation, training, and one-year maintenance of GeoLynx software and, has provided a copy of the contract with its request for funding.

Box Butte County also seeks reimbursement in the amount of **\$9,250.00** for expenses already incurred for the purchase and installation of the existing GeoLynx license.

The Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board considered Box Butte County's request at its March 23, 2007 meeting and recommended that the Commission approve payment in the amount of **\$24,700.00** for the additional GeoLynx licenses and reimbursement **of \$9,250.00** for the existing license. All amounts requested are consistent with GeoComm's response to the Commission's RFP. In its contract with GeoComm, Box Butte County authorizes the Nebraska Public Service Commission to remit payments directly to the vendor.

O P I N I O N       A N D       F I N D I N G S

This request for additional funding is being processed pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-442 to 86-470. (Cum. Supp. 2006), 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Section 5, Progression Order No. 5 in Commission Docket No. 911-001, entered July 16,

2002 and the Interim Policy established in Progression Order No. 1 in Commission Docket No. 911-017/PI-116, entered February 13, 2007 (Interim Policy).

Costs requested are eligible under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-465 (2006 Supp.). All costs have been incurred or will be incurred for the provision of Phase II wireless enhanced 911 service.

The Commission finds that payment should be made to GeoComm in the amount of **\$24,700.00** pursuant to the terms of the contract for non-recurring costs. The Commission further finds that reimbursement to Box Butte County shall be made in the amount of **\$9,250.00**. **Prior to receiving payment, Box Butte County shall provide to the Commission sufficient documentation demonstrating that the cost has been paid to GeoComm.**

The Commission reserves the right to modify any costs associated with this funding request consistent with amendments to the Interim Policy or the establishment of a permanent funding mechanism.

If the Nebraska Legislature fails to appropriate or authorize the expenditure of sufficient funds to provide for the payment of costs from the Fund or, if a lawful order issued in or for any fiscal year during the term of the contract reduces the funds appropriated or authorized in such amounts as to preclude making the payments from the Fund, the Commission will not be responsible for any costs not reimbursed by the Fund.

#### O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the request for funding of Box Butte County shall be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission shall remit to GeoComm from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund **\$24,700.00** for non-recurring costs as described herein.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that the Commission shall reimburse Box Butte County from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund **\$9,250.00** for expenses already incurred upon receipt by the Commission of proof of payment.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 10th day of April, 2007.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director